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In re the application of: Rory A.J. Curtis and M.  
Alexandra Glucksmann

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For: *ISOLATED PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACID  
MOLECULES HAVING HOMOLOGY TO THE NIP2  
PROTEIN AND USES THEREOF*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO A FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated July 18, 2001 (Paper No. 13).

Responsive to the Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the specification:

At page 11, lines 27-29 please replace "For a detailed description of programmed cell death see Trump B.F. et al. (1995) *FASEB J.* 9: 219-228 and Lee S. (1993) *Curr. Opin. Cell Biol.* 5: 286-291, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference." with: